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1. A support device for attaching to a head of a golf tee, comprising:

a rigid support wire having at least one bend for inserting the ends of the wire into a side of the head of a golf tee.

2. The support device as defined in Claim 1, wherein the rigid support wire is folded at a point and having a series of four sets of bends forming a strike portion and a spoon shape portion in which a golf ball is supported thereon.

3. The support device as defined in Claim 2, wherein the rigid support wire is deflected away from the golf ball prior to a golf club head striking the golf ball.

4. The support device as defined in claim 3, wherein said rigid support wire is deflected away when said golf club head strikes the strike portion on the rigid support wire.

5. A support device for attaching to a support base, comprising:

a self-supporting base; and

a rigid support wire having at least one bend where the ends of the wire are attached to the self-supporting base.

6. The support device as defined in claim 5, wherein the rigid support wire is folded at a point and having a series of four sets of bends forming a strike portion and a spoon shape portion in which a golf ball is supported thereon.

7. The support device as defined in Claim 6, wherein the rigid support wire is deflected away from the golf ball prior to a golf club head striking the golf ball.

8. The support device as defined in claim 7, wherein said rigid support wire is deflected away when said golf club head strikes the strike portion on the rigid support wire.

9. The support device as defined in claim 5, wherein the self-supporting base is placed on a practice mat.

10. A support device for attaching to a support structure comprised of a tee or a self-supporting base, comprising:

a support structure; and

a rigid support wire having at least one bend where the ends of the wire are attached to the support structure by means of a pair of springs.

11. The support device as defined in claim 10, wherein the rigid support wire is folded at a point and having a series of four sets of bends forming a strike portion and a spoon shape portion in which a golf ball is supported thereon.

12. The support device as defined in Claim 11, wherein the rigid support wire is deflected away from the golf ball prior to a golf club head striking the golf ball.

13. The support device as defined in claim 12, wherein said rigid support wire is deflected away when said golf club head strikes the strike portion on the rigid support wire.

14. The support device as defined in claim 10, wherein the springs are attached to the support structure by means of a pair of posts extending from the support structure.

15. The support device as defined in claim 14, wherein the springs are removeably attached to the posts and the support wire ends.

16. The support device as defined in claim 15, wherein the springs are interference fit onto the pair of posts and the support wire ends.